

Upside Down Series - The X Factor
Sunday Service -

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Message: The X-Factor
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Acts 17:6

And when they could not find them, they dragged Jason and some of the brothers before the city authorities, shouting, "These men who have turned the world upside down have come here also,

Introduction:

Today we will conclude our series titled Upside Down based on Acts 17:6.
Here is a summary of the series:

Part 1 – "For Such a Time as This" – Spoke about the responsibilities of the Esthers and Daniels, the responsibilities of the older generations, the Mordecai's, and how important it is for our young people to push away the table of demonic ideologies being served to them.

Part 2 – "Truth & Perception" – How the spiritual lenses we have or lack of causes us to see things differently. The world cannot perceive spiritual truth on their own. That is why they see us as upside down.

Part 3 – "Trouble...Here & Now" was about how we are called to be troublers. Not seeking trouble but if we stand up for truth, trouble will find us.

Today I want to talk about the key to impacting the world around us with the Gospel. I am titling this message: The X Factor.

2 Corinthians 6:14-17

Do not be yoked together with unbelievers. For what do righteousness and wickedness have in common? Or what fellowship can light have with darkness? What harmony is there between Christ and Belial? Or what does a believer have in common with an unbeliever? What agreement is there between the temple of God and idols? For we are the temple of the living God. As God has said: "I will live with them and walk among them, and I will be their God, and they will be my people." Therefore, "Come out from them and be separate, says the Lord. Touch no unclean thing, and I will receive you."

Point #1. Upside Down Kingdom
Matthew 5:38-42

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“You have heard that it was said, ‘Eye for eye, and tooth for tooth.’ But I tell you, do not resist an evil person. If anyone slaps you on the right cheek, turn to them the other cheek also. And if anyone wants to sue you and take your shirt, hand over your coat as well. If anyone forces you to go one mile, go with them two miles. Give to the one who asks you, and do not turn away from the one who wants to borrow from you.

Point #2. Eternal Reward is our Motivation

2 Peter 1:5-9

Hebrews 11:10

Hebrews 13:14

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For this very reason, make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; and to godliness, mutual affection; and to mutual affection, love. For if you possess these qualities in increasing measure, they will keep you from being ineffective and unproductive in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. But whoever does not have them is nearsighted and blind, forgetting that they have been cleansed from their past sins.

Hebrews 11:10

For he was looking forward to the city with foundations, whose architect and builder is God.

Hebrews 13:14

For here we do not have an enduring city, but we are looking for the city that is to come.

Point #3. Our X-Factor is God's Love

John 13:34-35

1 Corinthians 13:2-7

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“A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.”

1 Corinthians 13:2-7

If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give all I possess to the poor and give over my body to hardship that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing. Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.